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BRUCE reportedly played for up to two hours with Cats On A Smooth Surface at the Stone Pony on 2 March; no more details known yet...

MAX seems to have been the busiest E Streeter since the tour ended on 2 October; he's worked as drummer and assistant mixer on the forthcoming debut LP by John Eddie, played in clubs with ex-Stray Cat Brian Setzer, and even found time to lecture in colleges about his drumming and work with Bruce...he's on the new Bonnie Tyler LP with:

ROY meanwhile has continued to do session work (how about a solo LP, Professor?), while Garry produced a benefit single by JAM (Jersey Artists For Mankind), which featured Nils Lofgren, Southside Johnny and various Jukes amongst others...Patti is looking for a contract for a demo tape of original songs, maybe for the summer...Danny moved back to Flemington, NJ and built a recording studio for composing television soundtrack instrumentals...

NILS released his double live album, 'Code Of The Road', remixed from radio broadcast tapes of his Hammersmith Odeon shows in mid December, with an extra track ('I Don't Wanna Talk About It') on the cassette version...it's expected that he'll be playing with Neil Young in Europe in the summer, with another solo LP due this year by Mr Trampoline Man...he's also on the upcoming Rod Stewart LP...

LITTLE STEVEN wrote the words for 'Maria', music composed by Brian Setzer on the latter's solo LP 'The Knife Feels Like Justice', about an illegal alien struggling to support his family over the border... Steve sings backing vocals on 'Confrontation' by Face To Face, who've supported the Disciples Of Soul and covered 'Adam Raised A Cain'... He co-wrote 'Ride The Night Away' with Steve Jordan for an LP by Jimmy Barnes, and hopes to record his next album (and maybe tour) this year...meanwhile, a remixed three-track 12" of 'Let Me See Your ID' has been released Stateside...Steve found time to guest with Swedish band Imperiet at Stockholm on 16 November for an anti-racism rally: he performed 'Out Of The Darkness', 'Solidarity' and the live debut of 'Sun City'; apparently LS also jammed with Southside again, this time on 'Save The Last Dance For Me' with The Smithereens, somewhere on the East Coast this year...

SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY & THE JUKES finally look set to release another album, which is due to include covers of 'I Only Wanna Be With You' and 'Walk Away Renee'; hopefully they'll tour in Europe too...

COVER ME is included on a cancer/leukaemia benefit LP, 'Music For The Miracle' by various artists...other covers include 'Because The Night' by heavy metal band Keel; 'Dancing In The Dark' by the Shadows; and 'Fire' by Link Wray, recorded live...live covers include 'No Surrender' by French singer Renaud, and 'Born In The USA' as part of a live medley by Raquel Welch...Comedian Bobby Davro did an impersonation of Bruce on TV with 'Bored With The USA'...Joan Rivers said: 'I met Bruce Springsteen - I said "You're the Boss!" He fired me...'

ROCK & FOLK, the French music magazine, pulled an elaborate hoax with the 'exclusive scoop' details of a forthcoming live album from Bruce, complete with track sources (a compilation from '84-'85) and cover picture (an odd offstage '81 shot), reasons why it was a single LP and so on. They gave the game away finally, admitting it was all made up...oh, which issue? April, of course...

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